

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 640 – *Revenue Collection – Offsets*.

This bill authorizes the Comptroller to withhold tax refunds and other payments owed by the State to specified persons, including vendors doing business with the federal government, and to pay amounts to an agency of the federal government that has certified the delinquent nontax liabilities of specified persons.

House Bill 448, which was passed by the General Assembly and allowed to go into effect without my signature, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 640.

Very truly yours,
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor

Senate Bill No. 640

AN ACT concerning

Revenue Collection – Offsets

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Comptroller under certain circumstances to withhold certain tax refunds and other payments owed by the State to certain persons and to pay certain amounts to an agency of the federal government that has certified delinquent nontax liabilities of certain persons; providing for certain procedures relating to certain certifications and withholding of certain tax refunds and other payments owed by the State; authorizing certain disclosure of certain tax information under certain circumstances; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the withholding of State payments.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General

Section 13–203 and 13–918

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BY adding to

Article – Tax – General

Section 13–930 through 13–932, inclusive, to be under the new part “Part VI.

Federal Nontax Liabilities – Withholding of Tax Refunds and Payments”

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